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wherein

R² is the hydrocarbon radical remaining after removing the hydroxyl groups from pentaerythritol, dipentaerythritol or trimethylol propane;

each R³ is, independently, a linear alkyl group or a branched alkyl group; and

p is an integer of 3, 4 or 6. -

Claim 22, line 1, change "1" to -- 29 --; and

lines 2-11, delete in their entirety.

Claim 27, line 2, change "1" to -- 29 --.

Claim 28, line 3, change "1" to -- 29 --.

REMARKS

The applicants are refiling their parent applicant, following Board decision of September 24, 1997, in order to present amended claims for consideration.

In particular, claims 1 and 14-21 have been replaced by new claim 29 which is modeled after claim 1 but defines the lubricant essentially on the lines of claim 22.

With this amendment, the claims in the case are new claim 29 and claims 22-28 which are dependent on new claim 29.